

REMARKS


In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 14, 2005, applicants elect Group I, claims 2, 7, 11 and 18-34, drawn to peptides and compositions containing said peptides, and the species of SEQ ID NO:333, for examination at this time. Applicants have amended claims 2, 11, 18, 21, 24, 27, 31 and 33; claims 1, 3-10, 12-17, 30, 32 and 34 have been cancelled; and new claims 35-37 have been added. It is urged that support for all the above amendments may be found throughout the specification as originally filed, for example at page 40, lines 1-8; page 40, lines 14-18, and elsewhere. No new matter has been added. The above amendments are made without prejudice to prosecution of any subject matter removed or modified by this amendment in a related divisional, continuation or continuation-in-part application. Following the above election and amendments, claims 2, 11, 18-29, 31, 33 and 35-37 are pending and under examination in the application. Favorable reconsideration of the subject application is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims remaining in the application are now believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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